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and to

William Smith Johnston
and
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APPENDIX 3. MILITARY RANKS

Egyptian ranks followed the nineteenth-century Ottoman pattern. The titles, mainly Turkish in origin, were not changed until 1958.

Turco-Egyptian Ranks	Modern Egyptian Ranks	U.S. Army Equivalents
Mushir	Qaid amm	5-star general
Sirdar	Fariq awwal	4-star general
Fariq	Fariq	Lieutenant general
Liwa	Liwa	Major general
Amirilay	Amid	Brigadier general
Qaimaqam	Aqid	Colonel
Bimbashi	Muqaddam	Lieutenant colonel
Sagh	Raid	Major
Yuzbashi	Naqib	Captain
Mulazim awwal	Mulazim awwal	First lieutenant
Mulazim thani	Mulazim	Second lieutenant
Shawish	Raqib	Sergeant
Ombashi	Arif	Corporal
Askari	Jundi	Private

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Writers on modern Egypt have created many useful scholarly and literary works. Any bibliography must, therefore, be selective. Although such works, too, abound, the existing lists, most of which appear under "Bibliographies and Archival Sources," are incomplete. Among those listed, the earlier bibliographies by Ibrahim-Hilmy (1885-86), Maunier (1918), and Pratt (1929) were the best of their time; the most complete modern one is by Makar (1988). On-line bibliographies, such as the Research Libraries Group's (www.rlg.org) *RLG Union Catalog* and the Online Computer Library Center's (www.oclc.org/home) *WorldCat*, now facilitate bibliographical control over Egypt. Even so, scholars using Arabic-language materials may want to consult Harvard's six-volume *Catalog of the Arabic Collection*, edited by Fawzi Abdulrazzaq. A second edition was published in 1983 by G. K. Hall. It may be supplemented by the *Index Islamicus*, which is much more accessible on CD-ROM than in its numerous printed fascicles. See also Wolfgang Behn's *Index Islamicus 1665-1905* (Millersville, Pa.: Adiyok, 1989) for earlier periodical articles.

Because of the P.L. 480-funded program for purchasing books and periodicals published in Egypt with Egyptian pounds and supplying them to selected U.S. libraries, these institutions now have the world's strongest collections of Arabic-language materials. For modern history, they are the Library of Congress, American University in Cairo, University of Arizona, Boston Public Library, University of California at Berkeley, Columbia, Georgetown, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York Public Library, Portland State University, Princeton, Texas, Utah, Virginia, and Yale. Other strong collections are in the Bibliothèque Nationale (Paris), Bodleian Library (Oxford), Cairo University, Cambridge University Library, Egyptian National Library (*Dar al-Kutub*), Harvard's Widener Library, University of Pennsylvania, School of Harvard's Oriental and African Studies (London), University of California at Los Angeles, and University of Washington (Seattle). Major archives for modern Egypt include *Dar al-Mahfuzat*, *Dar al-Wathaiq*, and the Shari'a Court Archives in Cairo; the Public Record Office in London; the French

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